

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SILICON CARBIDE BASED HONEYCOMB
STRUCTURE AND SILICON CARBIDE BASED HONEYCOMB STRUCTURE

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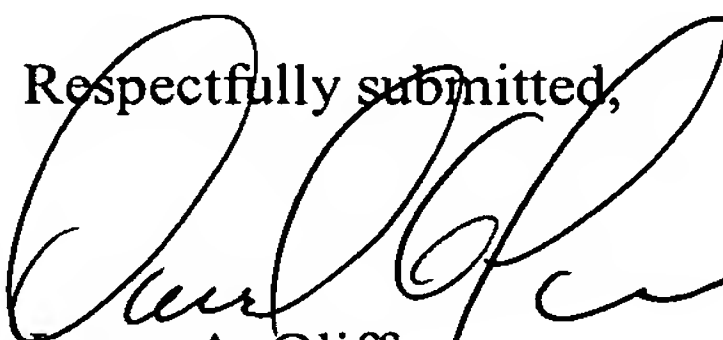
Submitted herewith is a Power of Attorney from the Assignee.

In compliance with 37 CFR §3.73(b), the undersigned hereby states that NGK INSULATORS, LTD. is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventors of the patent application identified above. A copy of the assignment is attached hereto and is concurrently being submitted for recordation.

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